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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant  
application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/316,001
Filing Date	May 21, 1999
Examiner Name	G. Ewoldt
First Named Inventor	Roger KENDALL et al.
Group Art Unit	1644
Attorney Docket Number	FSC-6

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted

- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and Declaration previously filed on **February 19, 2003**. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## b. Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other **Petition for Extension of Time**


## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ **785.00** enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
for FY 2001**

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)		FEE CALCULATION (continued)					
<b>1.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:		<b>3. ADDITIONAL FEES</b>					
Deposit Account Number	13-3402	Fee Code	Large Entity (\$)	Fee Code	Small Entity (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Deposit Account Name	Millen, White, Zelano & Branigan, P.C.	1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17		1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
<b>2.</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payment Enclosed:		1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check	<input type="checkbox"/> Credit card	1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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<b>FEE CALCULATION</b>		1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
<b>1. BASIC FILING FEE</b>		1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
Large Entity	Small Entity	1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	410
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1001	750	2001	375			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1002	330	2002	165			Notice of Appeal	
1003	520	2003	260			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1004	750	2004	375			Request for oral hearing	
1005	160	2005	80			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>		1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unintentional	
		1453	1,300	2453	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		142	1,300	242	650	Design issue fee	
		1502	470	2502	235	Plant issue fee	
		1503	630	2503	315	Petitions to the Commissioner	
		1460	130	1460	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
		1807	130	1807	130	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
		1806	180	1806	180	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
		8021	40	8021	40	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
		1809	750	2809	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
		1810	750	2810	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	375
		1801	750	2801	375	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
		1802	900	1802	900		
		Other fee (specify) _____					
<b>2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES</b>		<b>*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid</b>					<b>SUBTOTAL (3)</b> (\$ 785)
Total Claims	-20**	=	0	X		=	0
Independent Claims	-3**	=	0	X		=	0
Multiple Dependent		X				=	0
<b>1. BASIC FILING FEE</b>							
Large Entity	Small Entity						
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description		Fee Paid	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20			
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3			
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid			
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent			
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent			
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>							(\$ 0)

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